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Messina, June 25. N. S.

YEsterday arrived here a Dutch Privateer called the *Cutshien*, and brought in a French Prize, the *Madona de Gratia*, laden with Cotton, Pot Ashes, &c. from *Tripoli de Soria* and *Cyprus*, and bound to *Marseilles*. The Popes Galleys departed hence the same day; They are to join off Cape *Spartivento* with the Maltese Galleys, (who have been cruising on the Coast of *Barbary*) and so proceed together to join the Venetian Fleet in the *Levant*.

Genoua, July 14. This week arrived here 9 Spanish Galleys from *Naples*, who with the 3 that were here before, are designed for *Final*, to take on board 2000 Soldiers, and transport them to *Catalonia*; They have sent out some small Vessels to get intelligence of the French Fleet, that upon the Advice they bring, they may make use of the necessary Precautions to avoid them.

Venice, July 19. Another Convoy will be ready the next week to sail for the *Levant*. The last Advices from thence say, the Turks had sent most of their Galleys into the *Black-Sea*; and that their Fleet commanded by the Captain-Bassa, was composed of 34 Men of War.

Warsaw, July 20. The Endeavours that have been used to reconcile the two Parties, with relation to the late double Election, prove hitherto ineffectual; Each side are resolved to maintain what they have done; The Primate is the great Support of the Prince of *Conty's* Interest, and the Crown General of the Elector of *Saxony's*; The Friends of the former give out, that they shortly expect him in these Parts, *Dubart's* Squadron being to bring him to *Dantzicke*; and those of *Saxony* intend to proceed to his Coronation, and have appointed the 15th of *September* for this Solemnity; In the mean time the Gentlemen, that came to the Election, are gone home, as likewise the Deputies of the Dyet; and the Circular Letters, signed by the Primate and his principal Adherents, are sent out to summon another; All this occasions a great Confusion in this Kingdom.

Vienna, July 24. The Rebellion in *Upper-Hungary*, which was fomented both by the French Party in *Poland*, and by the Turks, has had but a short continuance; The Hungarians that were in Arms are, since their defeat in the two Rencounters you have already had an account of, quite dispersed; The Imperial Troops commanded by young Prince *Vaudemont* have taken the Town of *Tockay* by Storm, the Garison being put to the Sword; They in the Castle had the good fortune to get away in the night, and fled to the Mountains; and 'tis believed the next Letters will bring advice, that the Emperor's Forces have likewise recovered *Patnaks* and *Kals*, which were lately surprised by the Rebels; The Ottoman Forces begin to draw together on those Frontiers, but too late to give the Hungarians any assistance; The Imperial Regiments who assembled at *Verla-marton*, advance towards *Peter-Waradin*; The Auxiliary Troops of *Saxony* have joined the Army, which is commanded by Prince *Eugene* of *Savoy*, and the Troops that were lately before *Bihatz*, are on their march to do the like. The last Advices from *Turkey* say, the Grand Signior was come to *Sophia*, and would from thence continue his Journey towards *Belgrade*, the Grand Visier being ordered to go before, to form the Army against the Sultans arrival.

Francfort, July 31. The French Army under Mareschal *de Choiseul* decamping the 18th from *Rastat*, and marching back towards *Fort-Louis*, occasioned a belief that they were going to repass the *Rhine*; but by the last account we have of them, they were still encamped on this side the River near *Fort-Louis*, from whence they have sent out several Parties to raise Contributions. Prince *Lewis* of *Baden* marched the 24th from *Muckenstorm* towards *Durlach*; and by our freshest Letters was encamped near *Rastingen*; The Hussars, since the Army has been there, have brought in about 50 Prisoners, having defeated one of the Enemies Parties.

Hamburg, Aug. 2. The Moscovite Ambassadors, who were lately at *Coningsberg*, are coming this way; They passed *Berlin* the 30th of the last month, where they were received with great Honours; The Czar, who is *incognito* in this Embassy, intends to go to *Holland* and *Flanders*, and to see the Army of the Allies. The last Letters from the Court of *Saxony* inform us, that the new King was still at *Tarnowitz*, expecting the Ambassadors from *Poland*; and that preparations are making for his Coronation at *Gracow*. 'Tis apprehended in *Poland* the Contending Parties will at last come to Hostilities; They say the Army have declared for the Elector; and that the Prince of *Conty's* Friends have secured *Marienbourg* and one or two other Places, which they think will be of great use to them. The Magistrates of *Dantzicke* have received Letters from both sides, but are resolved not to engage in this Dispute.

Paris, Aug. 2. Since the late Conferences between the Earl of *Portland* and Mareschal *Boufflers* they talk very much of a Peace, as well at the French Court, as in this City. The Letters from the Army before *Barcelona* of the 15th and 19th of the last month, do much lessen the Advantage the Duke *de Vendosme's* Express said our Troops obtained over the Spaniards the 14th, for it appears the latter did not loose above 5 or 600 Men, and that they not only regained their Camp at *Cornella*, but have since received a new Reinforcement, and consequently have it still in their power to send relief to the Garison in *Barcelona*: 'Tis much wondred we have no fresher Advices from thence, and this silence gives People an Opinion that things do not go very well there; neu-

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